

SENATE BILL 598

By Pody

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 2,
relative to candidates.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 2-5-204(b), is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision:

(3) Notwithstanding § 2-5-101(f), a candidate who is excluded from a primary ballot pursuant to subdivision (b)(2)(A) and exhausts the appeals under subdivision (b)(2)(B) may qualify as an independent candidate if the nominating petition is filed within seven (7) calendar days of the final determination of the appeal.

SECTION 2. This act takes effect July 1, 2023, the public welfare requiring it.